

NITRO BLAST IS FATAL TO WORKER

Oil Field Man Digging for Soup Hidden Outside Bartlesville Dead

SPADE STRUCK CAN

Wife Pulled Spade Handle From Husband's Side After Explosion

By the Associated Press State Wire.
BARTLESVILLE, Aug. 18.—While digging in the ground for a pint of nitroglycerine which he had hidden outside the city limits, C. H. Sorrell, a casing puller in the oil fields, struck the "soup" with his spade which caused it to explode, killing him almost instantly. The detonation was heard for almost a mile.
Sorrell went out this morning to rig up the nitroglycerine preparatory to pulling some casing in Osage county today. His assistant went out to rig up the car and get it in shape for the trip when the explosion came. People residing in the near vicinity ran to the scene of the accident where they found Sorrell lying on the ground several feet from where the ground was torn up by the explosion. His clothes were stripped from his body completely and he was cut beyond recognition by the flying debris.
Sorrell's wife was the first to reach his side and she pulled a large splinter of the spade handle from his side but he died with a portion of the steel part of the spade piercing his abdomen.

BIBLE CLASS ENTERTAINS

Business Men's Organization Given Watermelon Feast at Church.
The atmosphere of an old southern plantation, proverbial home of the richest and most luscious variety of watermelon, was somehow thrown, with the aid of crooning southern songs and watermelon itself, about the watermelon feast with which the Business Men's Bible class of the First Baptist church entertained their wives and young friends Friday evening on the church lawn.
Negro jokes, and others, were told by Fred Harper, master of ceremonies, and Rev. C. E. Cannady, negro melodies were intoned musically by the Tulsa quartet. Mrs. Guy Paris sang "Carry Me Back to Ole Virginia" and carried the whole company with her on the chorus; the Temporal orchestra rendered southern airs in the evening; Miss Anna Case read in dialect "Pierre Mimot." Last, on the heels of an old-fashioned game which involved almost every one of the several hundred present, plenty of food watermelon was served.

HARDING TELLS STORY OF STRIKES

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congress must take steps to prevent a recurrence of present conditions.
"There can be no liberty and democracy, attained in America," he asserted, "unless there is the same recognition given the right to work as there is the right to quit work."
The president's condemnation of both employers and of unions in the coal and rail industries was probably the most severe advanced by a chief executive to congress.
The railway executives, he criticized for their "hard boiled" attitude and rendered a thinly veiled warning that there is "union-busting" campaign in progress in some quarters.

"The government," he asserted, "has no sympathy or approval for this element of discord in the ranks of industry."

Unions Criticized.
The rail unions were criticized for the unyielding attitude and most particularly for their desertion of the line at desert points, causing a discomfort to travelers. It was about this time, however, that the president was most indignant. He handed out gloves and he expressed the wish that federal courts be empowered to go into the situations such as Herrin and mete out justice.

"In that butchery of human beings, wrought in madness, it is alleged that two aliens were murdered," he said. "This act adds to the outraged sense of American justice, the humiliation which lies in the federal government's confessed lack of authority to punish that untolerable crime. Had it happened in any other country," said the president, "we would have piled the civilization that allowed it."
Justice, he declared, failed in Illinois and there would always be a blot on the national shield because of Herrin, Ill.

He said that the railroad strike, the president did not recommend any legislation except in so far as it related to the protection of alien workers.
He severely criticized both sides in the rail dispute—carriers and unions; he described the railway labor board as entirely inadequate to deal with the situation, declared it would have to be strengthened, and condemned in almost unprecedented strong terms the acts of violence all the way from the Herrin, Ill., massacre to the desertion of trains at desert terminal points in Arizona.

Asks No Radical Action.
"It is not my thought," President Harding said to congress to deal with these fundamental questions (strengthening the powers of the labor board) at this time.
"No hasty action would contribute to the solution of the present critical situation. There are statutes forbidding conspiracy to hinder interstate commerce. It is my purpose to invoke these laws, civil and criminal, against all offenders alike."
While the president asked no action of congress at this time, he affirmed the federal government's de-

termination to maintain transportation at any cost.

"I am resolved," he said, "to use all the power of the government to maintain transportation and sustain the right of men to work."
This was interpreted as constituting a flat and unequivocal assertion that if the unions quit work on the railroads, the federal government will afford every protection to the railway managements in their efforts to keep trains moving.

ACCUSED PASTOR SURRENDERS JOB

Rev. Trotter Will Have Preliminary on Embezzlement Charge

M'ALESTER, Aug. 18.—The Rev. J. C. Trotter, pastor of the Methodist church, South, of Bartlesville, who is held in jail here on a charge of embezzling \$3,200 from Brooks Institute of Hartshorne, of which he was financial secretary, surrendered his credentials as a minister today on request of the Rev. Charles Brooks, presiding elder of the McAlester district.

Trotter will be given a preliminary hearing Monday with Miss Audrey Campbell, a nurse at Brooks Institute, who is jointly charged with the embezzlement.
"My love for Trotter is unchanged and I expect to remain true to him to the end," Miss Campbell said today. "There was no embezzlement," she said, "and none was contemplated. Our relations were strictly within the law. There is nothing to the charge of embezzlement as far as I know." Miss Campbell is at liberty on bond.

Trotter was arrested at Eufaula in company with the nurse several days after he had sent his wife and three children to Chattanooga, Tenn., for a visit.

TWO DIE IN PLANE CRASH

Five Passengers Burned to Death; Woman in Serious Condition

BRATTLEBORO, Vt., Aug. 18.—Two persons were burned to death and a third, a woman, probably fatally burned late today when an airplane crashed during the dedication of a new flying field here. The three were passengers in a plane piloted by B. Hughes of Minnesota, L. who escaped with minor injuries. The dead were:
James Trahan of this city and his 5-year-old son, Norman.

No Sympathy for Germany.
BRUSSELS, Aug. 18.—The Belgian delegate on the reparations commission under instructions from his government will vote against granting a moratorium to Germany, which accordingly, will be refused by the commission.

ARBITRATION IS HIT BY OPEN SHOP

State Board Has Had Little to Do in the Past Year

By the Associated Press State Wire.

OKLAHOMA CITY, Aug. 18.—The settlement of employing interests in favor of the open shop has been responsible for the "very little progress" the state board of arbitration and conciliation has made under the present administration, according to a statement made to Gov. J. B. A. Robertson in a report recently submitted by Claude E. Connally, state commissioner of labor.

"The work of settling industrial disputes by the board of arbitration has made but very little progress during this administration," reports the commissioner. "The principal reason for this has been the attitude employing interests in certain sections of the state have taken in undertaking to establish the principle of the open shop. Little can be accomplished in this work as long as this attitude continues."

"Much, however, could be accomplished by this board if the proper spirit were shown among the employing interests of the state and if the proper recognition was accorded it by the legislature by adequate appropriation."
Connally's report stated that a contingent fee of \$500 was the only appropriation for each of the two years of 1922 and 1923 made by the legislature.

Banker of Oklahoma Spends \$875 to See Country Boys Fight

ASHER, Aug. 18.—Frenzied stories of maddened men fighting for a chance to pay enormous sums to witness a prize fight were laid in the shade here today when Cashier Bill Measles of the Canadian Valley bank spent \$875 to see two country boys try their luck in a fistie encounter.
The cashier, noticing a rough and tumble battle being staged in front of his bank, stepped to the door to see the fray. While he was there, a sneak thief entered the building and took all the "loose change" near the cashier's window and disappeared. No trace of the thief has been found.

ROOF CAVES, ONE HURT

Texas and Pacific Roundhouse Roof Gives Way—Debris Strikes Man.

DALLAS, Texas, Aug. 18.—One man was slightly injured by falling splinters when a portion of the roof of the Texas & Pacific railroad roundhouse in East Dallas caved in late last night.

It was reported by railroad guards that a bomb had been thrown on the roof of the building, which houses about 20 strike breakers. An investigation is being conducted by railroad and civic authorities. The damage was very slight. No trace of a bomb has yet been found.

The Italian city of Florence will modernize its telephone system within two years, placing most of the cables underground.

WILL INAUGURATE NEW K. P. LODGE

Also Plan to Entertain Pythian Fire Fighters Here Sept. 14

Next Wednesday the ritualistic team of the local Silver Plume lodge, Knights of Pythias, will journey to Morris, near Okmulgee, and institute a Knights of Pythias lodge there. The Tulsa team will be assisted by a team from Okmulgee. A large delegation from Tulsa will accompany the team, officials stated Friday.

R. S. Melville of Tulsa, deputy grand chancellor of Oklahoma, has been in Morris for the last two weeks organizing a class. A class of about one hundred is expected to take the work.

Elaborate plans are under way to entertain the delegates to the international convention of Firemen to be held here September 14, who are members of the Knights of Pythias order.

Poker Game Broken Up.
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Greek rooming house at 1104 East First, arrested the nine participants and confiscated \$31 which was on the table when they entered. The equipment used in the game was also confiscated.
This Teacher Changed Mind.
TULSA, Aug. 18.—"I've changed my mind, my name, my occupation and my home," says a Putnam county girl in writing Mrs. Margaret Chaney, superintendent of public instruction, asking that she be relieved from instructing in a county school. Mrs. Chaney has announced that under the consideration the request will be honored.

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